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 TASS ISSUES STATEMENT ON LEBANON
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(("TASS STATEMENT" --TASS HEADLINE, ALL QUOTES AS RECEIVED))

((TEXT)) MOSCOW, JUNE 9, TASS--THE SOVIET UNION CALLS ON ALL THE STATES TO REFRAIN FROM ANY ACTS THAT RUN COUNTER TO THE PRINCIPLES OF RESPECT FOR THE INDEPENDENCE, SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY SO THAT THESE UNIVERSALLY RECOGNIZED INTERNATIONAL PRINCIPLES ARE FULLY APPLIED WITH RESPECT TO LEBANON.

THIS IS SAID IN A STATEMENT FROM TASS, WHICH HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO STATE THE FOLLOWING IN CONNECTION WITH THE SHARPLY AGGRAVATED SITUATION IN THE LEBANON:

"IN RECENT DAYS THE DEVELOPMENTS IN LEBANON HAVE BEEN ASSUMING A TRAGIC CHARACTER. THE FRATRICIDAL WAR IN WHICH THE ARABS ARE FIGHTING ARABS IS BECOMING EVER MORE SANGUINARY. THE NUMBER OF CIVILIAN VICTIMS, WOMEN, OLD PEOPLE AND CHILDREN, IS GROWING.

WHAT IS TAKING PLACE IN LEBANON IS CEASING TO BE AN INTERNAL LEBANESE MATTER. THIS IS WITNESSED, AMONG OTHER THINGS, BY THE FRENCH STATEMENT ON THE POSSIBILITY OF ENDING A FRENCH TROOPS CONTINGENT TO LEBANON. THE U.S. NAVY IS STILL PLYING CLOSE TO THE LEBANESE SHORES. 091720 DREYFOUS/GP 09/1738Z JUN 76

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MOSCOW TASS ENGLISH 091720 XXX THE LEBANESE SHORES

((TEXT)) THE SOVIET UNION ALREADY ISSUED WARNINGS THAT THE SITUATION IN LEBANON AND THE MIDDLE EAST, AS A WHOLE, MAY BECOME EVEN MORE COMPLICATED IF ATTEMPTED FOREIGN INTERFERENCE IN THE AFFAIRS OF LEBANON IS NOT STOPPED.

THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC, ON ITS SIDE, TIME AND AGAIN MADE STATEMENTS SAYING THAT THE MISSION, OF THE TROOPS IT INTRODUCED INTO LEBANON, IS TO HELP STOP THE BLOODSHED. NEVERTHELESS, NOTICE SHOULD BE CALLED TO THE FACT THAT BLOODSHED CONTINUES IN LEBANON TODAY AND BLOOD FLOWS IN EVER GREATER STREAMS.

AT THIS MOMENT, WHEN THE LEBANESE EVENTS THREATEN TO GROW INTO A BIGGER INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT, THE SOVIET UNION URGES ALL STATES TO ABSTAIN FROM ANY ACTION THAT GOES AGAINST THE PRINCIPLES OF RESPECT FOR INDEPENDENCE, SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY SO THAT THESE GENERALLY RECOGNISED INTERNATIONAL PRINCIPLES SHOULD BE FULLY IMPLEMENTED IN RELATION TO LEBANON ALSO.

THE FIRST THING TO BE DONE IN LEBANON, IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THIS, IS STOP THE BLOODSHED. IT IS NECESSARY THAT ALL SIDES INVOLVED IN THE LEBANESE EVENTS, IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, SHOULD IMMEDIATELY HOLD THEIR FIRE.

AS FOR THE POWERS WHO ALLUDE TO INTEREST IN THE SITUATION ESTABLISHED IN LEBANON AND THREATEN DIRECT MILITARY INTERFERENCE IN THE AFFAIRS OF LEBANON, THE SOVIET UNION IS FORCED TO DECLARE IN THIS CONNECTION THAT; THE MIDDLE EAST IS MUCH CLOSER TO THE

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SOVIET UNION THAN TO THOSE WHO ISSUE SUCH THREATS AND, IN ANY CASE, THE SOVIET UNION IS NOT LESS INTERESTED IN HOW THE SITUATION IN LEBANON AND AROUND IT DEVELOPS AND CONTINUES TO DEVELOP. NOBODY SHOULD LOSE SIGHT OF THIS.

THE SOVIET LEADING CIRCLES DEEM IT NECESSARY TO DRAW ATTENTION TO YET ANOTHER ASPECT OF THE LEBANESE DEVELOPMENTS. AS IS KNOWN, THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PALESTINIANS ON LEBANESE TERRITORY WHO HAVE NOW FOUND REFUGE IN THIS COUNTRY AND, IN THE RANKS OF THE PALESTINE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT, ARE CARRYING ON A COURAGEOUS STRUGGLE FOR THEIR LEGITIMATE NATIONAL RIGHTS, FOR THE COMMON ARAB INTERESTS IN THE CAUSE OF ELIMINATING THE AFTERMATH OF THE ISRAELI AGGRESSION. WHAT IS HAPPENING TO THEM NOW? THEY HAVE ALSO BEEN DRAWN INTO THE SANGUINARY FRATRICIDAL WAR.

THE SOVIET UNION EXPECTS THAT AT THIS JUNCTURE DUE RESPONSIBILITY WILL BE DISPLAYED BOTH BY THE SIDES DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN LEBANON AND BY ALL THE OTHER STATES THAT ARE AWARE OF THE DANGER OF FURTHER AGGRAVATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST."

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